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Podcast ‘Godfather of AI’ Geoffrey Hinton warns AI has ‘progressed even faster than I thought’ by Llewellyn H. Rockwell, Jr.; How Trump’s Oily Dreams May Collapse in a Venezuelan Dark Pit (Anonymous); Mike Benz – Venezuela: A Hard-Nosed Realist Analysis of What Really Went Down (Anonymous); The Discovery of Abiotic Oil by Jerome R. Corsi; US Regime Change in Venezuela Benefits Zionist Neocon and Props Up US Dollar by Baron Coleman; Maduro, China & Russia by Llewellyn H. Rockwell, Jr.; HONOR AMONG THIEVES (Anonymous).

The Intelligence Precipice: A Warning from the Architect

We begin today with a profound warning from a figure often called the "Godfather of AI," Geoffrey Hinton. Hinton, renowned for his foundational work on neural networks, has expressed a growing concern that the development of artificial intelligence is accelerating at a rate that has surpassed even his most expert projections. This is not merely a technical milestone; it represents an existential risk. The core of the danger lies in the complexity of maintaining human control. As AI systems begin to write their own code and develop the capacity to manipulate human behavior, the window for safety and oversight narrows. This rapid progression suggests that we are entering an era where the technology we created may soon operate beyond our ability to fully govern or predict its trajectory.

The Venezuelan Oil Minefield: Geopolitics and Technical Reality

Turning to the geopolitical arena, the situation in Venezuela has reached a point of intense friction following a recent military raid. The United States administration has issued a series of aggressive mandates to the interim government, demanding a total crackdown on drug trafficking and the immediate expulsion of Iranian and Cuban operatives. Caracas is also being pressured to halt all oil sales to U.S. adversaries. Failure to comply with these "imperial mandates" likely means renewed military or kinetic pressure, a strategy supported by a massive proposed military budget of $1.5 trillion.

However, the ambition to rapidly revitalize the Venezuelan oil sector faces staggering technical and financial hurdles. While some believe production can be restored quickly, industry analysis suggests that reaching a production level of just 3 million barrels per day would require a minimum of 16 years and a capital investment of $183 billion. The oil itself is "superheavy," possessing a consistency similar to tar. To even reach the surface, it must be melted, and once extracted, it requires the importation of 0.3 barrels of diluent for every barrel of oil just to make it transportable.

Furthermore, the industry is structurally tied to China. Over the last twenty years, China has built the operational core of Venezuela’s oil infrastructure, providing the specific refinery technology, software systems, and maintenance chains required for this unique crude. Attempting to flip this industry to American control is like trying to change the engine of a car while it is moving at high speed, only to discover the tools and the manual belong to a rival. Without Chinese engineers, the industry could become an inert, non-functioning shell, and breaking these binding financial

contracts could trigger a systemic global confidence shock due to their derivative linkages to Wall Street.

The Petrodollar Fortress and the Global Game of Tokens

The motivation for U.S. intervention extends beyond access to oil; it is a strategic move to sustain the global standing of the U.S. dollar. For five decades, the value of the dollar has been fundamentally linked to the oil trade through the "petrodollar" system. This system creates an artificial global demand for American currency because oil vendors have historically accepted only U.S. tokens. When Venezuela established direct payment channels to China, it threatened to bypass this system, prompting a military response to ensure the "oil vendor" continues to accept only the established currency.

As this geopolitical chess match unfolds, private financial interests are positioned to profit. Hedge fund managers like Paul Singer have acquired major assets, such as CITGO, at a fraction of their value due to existing embargoes. The speculative market is also preparing to settle over $170 billion in debt, including $60 billion in defaulted PDVSA bonds. This highlights the deep ties between private financial interests and U.S. foreign policy, where energy infrastructure is transferred to specific private interests with high-level political connections.

The Abiotic Theory: A Hidden Source of Abundance?

While the world fights over the control of seemingly finite resources, investigative research suggests the very definition of oil as a "fossil fuel" may be a narrative used to maintain artificial scarcity. The theory of abiotic oil posits that hydrocarbons have a non-biological origin, formed deep within the Earth’s mantle independent of organic material. This process, demonstrated by German chemists during World War II, suggests that oil is essentially a renewable and abundant resource.

If oil functions like a naturally refilling mountain spring rather than a depleting battery, the ideological foundations of environmental movements and policies promoting alternative energy would be undermined. Evidence for this theory is found in Soviet deep-drilling programs that discovered massive reservoirs at depths beyond 16 kilometers, as well as reports of depleted wells that seemingly replenish themselves over time. The suppression of this knowledge by major corporations and governments ensures continued economic control by justifying higher prices through the narrative of scarcity.

Domestic Crackdowns and the Battle Over Intellectual Property

Finally, we look at the internal shifts within the United States. A national crackdown on welfare fraud has begun, with a focus on Minnesota. The administration has frozen over $10 billion in federal social service funds across five states pending investigations into misuse. This initiative even extends to investigating NGOs that fund public-order disturbances.

In the corporate world, a significant legal battle has emerged at the intersection of biotechnology and pharmaceuticals. Monsanto, a subsidiary of Bayer, has filed lawsuits against Pfizer and Moderna, alleging that their mRNA vaccines infringe on Monsanto’s 1980s patents related to stabilizing messenger RNA. Ironically, this technology was originally developed to create durable,

pest-resistant proteins in genetically modified crops. Now, the "thieves" of intellectual property are facing off in court over the profits of the mRNA revolution, with potential damages ranging from $6 to $10 billion.

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